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1. The present programs of SED training courses in the Karl Marx Academy at Klein-Machnow and in the so-called Party circles, the current-events instruction in all schools, and the themes of the next party conferences of all the political parties of the Soviet Zone have been suspended, effective immediately. The single theme for all political, pedagogical, and semi-political organizations is to be the "free elections" suggestion made by DDR Premier Otto Grotewohl in his Volkskammer speech on 15 September 1951.
2. The training apparatus of the SED has informed all instruction sections of the FDGB, the other DDR political parties, and the FDJ that in the next three weeks all instruction will emphasize only the theme "free elections in all Germany".

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